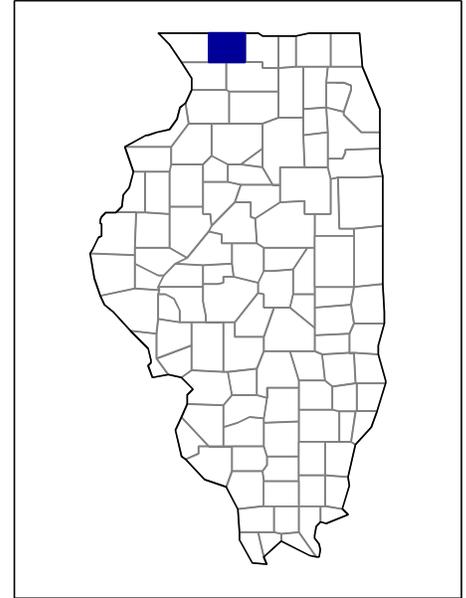


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Number of farms

1,075 farms in 2002, 1,169 farms in 1997, down 8 percent.

Land in farms

324,118 acres in 2002, 316,566 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

Average size of farm

302 acres in 2002, 271 acres in 1997, up 11 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$124,940,000 in 2002, \$144,030,000 in 1997, down 13 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$59,725,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$65,215,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

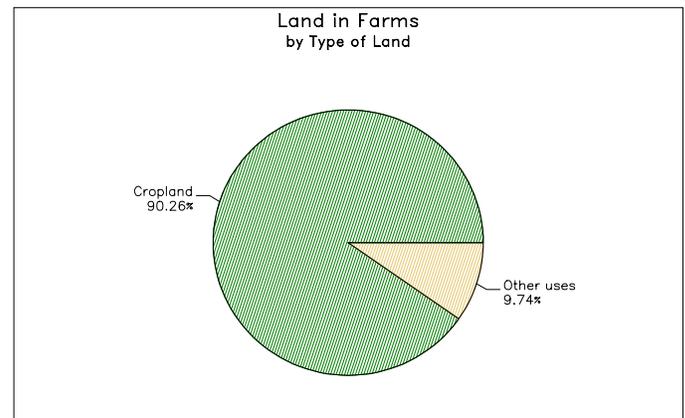
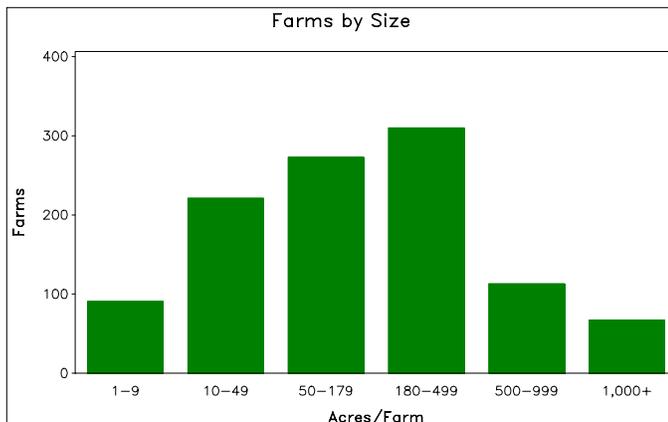
\$116,224 in 2002, \$123,208 in 1997, down 6 percent.

Government Payments

\$6,579,000 in 2002, \$5,414,000 in 1997, up 22 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$10,153 in 2002, \$7,427 in 1997, up 37 percent.



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Ranked items among the 102 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	124,940	17	102	345	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	59,725	43	102	369	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	65,215	4	102	392	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	57,419	36	102	174	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	17	79	97	2,379	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	4	87	93	2,417	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	92	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	28	34	78	841	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	102	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	19,448	9	102	536	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	27,127	2	91	169	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	102	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	77	11	101	967	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	268	12	100	826	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	24	25	92	1,454	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	4	101	(D)	2,983
Hogs and pigs	85,769	13	102	182	2,926
Cattle and calves	49,008	2	102	588	3,059
Sheep and lambs	1,664	8	101	657	2,867
Horses and ponies	972	12	102	1,328	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	143,032	27	102	99	2,592
Soybeans	88,687	61	102	319	2,076
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	29,165	2	102	752	3,059
Corn for silage	6,869	3	100	262	2,307
Oats	3,138	1	90	145	2,215

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	228	Farming	755
\$1,000 to \$2,499	42	Other	320
\$2,500 to \$4,999	58		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	59	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	104	Male	990
\$20,000 to \$24,999	23	Female	85
\$25,000 to \$39,999	72		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	27	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	128		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	192	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	98	White	1,561
\$500,000 or more	44	Black or African American	2
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	109,516	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	101,498	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	28,829	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	26,718	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	1

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.